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**Governor's Office of Emergency Services Coordinating to Support Local Jurisdictions
Impacted by the 6.0 Earthquake in American Canyon, Napa County**

SACRAMENTO – Early this morning the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) activated its State Operations Center (SOC), and the Coastal Regional Emergency Operations Center (REOC), to dispatch state resources and provide assistance to Napa county after a magnitude 6.0 earthquake struck the small community of American Canyon at 3:20 AM.

Cal OES is working to coordinate and dispatch state resources such as mutual aid fire engines, urban search and rescue teams and other specialty equipment needed.

Minutes after the earthquake, the 24-hour California State Warning Center in Sacramento contacted the regional warning points and has confirmed 911 lines in the impacted area are working. However, officials stress the importance of not calling 9-1-1 unless there's an immediate need for police, fire or ambulance.

"We're concerned about the immediate needs of those affected by this earthquake and want to make sure we can get them help as quickly as possible," said Cal OES Director Mark Ghilarducci. "People in the impacted area should anticipate aftershocks and take steps now to prepare."

Officials recommend residents not impacted secure items in their home that could pose a danger if they fall and identify a person outside of your immediate area to contact family members who are separated is a critical component in any family emergency plan. When local phone lines are congested, and out of state contact can facilitate family communication and reunion.

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